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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

The application of: William Franklin Harris

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Application No: 09/771,226

§ Examiner: Philip Tucker

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§ Group Art Unit: 1712

For: SUSPENSIONS OF WATER SOLUBLE  
POLYMERS IN SURFACTANT FREE  
NON-AQUEOUS SOLVENTSAMENDMENT "B"BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER  
FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicant timely responds to the Office Action dated February 6, 2003, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 27 and 33 as follows:

27. (twice amended) A non-aqueous suspension, comprising:

- b<sup>1</sup>
- (a) about 0.1 to about 75 percent by weight guar gum;
  - (b) about 20 to about 99.8 percent by weight polyalkylene glycol; and
  - (c) about 0.1 to about 5 percent by weight hydrogenated castor wax.

33. (twice amended) A non-aqueous suspension, comprising:

- b<sup>2</sup>
- (a) about 0.1 to about 40 percent by weight cationic-, hydroxyalkyl-, carboxyalkyl-, or carboxyalkylhydroxyalkyl-derivatized guar gum;
  - (b) about 55 to about 99.8 percent by weight polyalkylene glycol; and
  - (c) about 0.1 to about 5 percent by weight hydrogenated castor wax.

REMARKS

Claims 1-98 remain in the referenced application. Claims 27 and 33 have been amended, and appended hereto are marked versions of claim 27 and 33 illustrating the revisions made thereto.